

WILDLIFE CORRIDOR CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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MINUTES *of the* GOVERNING BOARD *of the* WILDLIFE CORRIDOR CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

August 30, 2006

I. Call to Order

The special meeting of the Governing Board of the Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority (WCCA) was called to order by the Chairperson Bob Henderson at 7:42 p.m. on August 30, 2006 in the Council Chambers, Level 1, Brea Civic and Cultural Center, One Civic Center Circle, Brea, CA.

II. Roll Call

The roll was called and the following members were present: Bob Henderson, Chair; John Beauman, Vice Chair; Fred Klein, Dickie Simmons, Jack Tanaka and Gary Watts.

Glen Parker arrived subsequent to roll call.

The following members were absent: Elizabeth Cheadle.

Staff present: Joseph Edmiston, Chief Deputy Executive Director; Rorie Skei, Chief Deputy Director; Paul Edelman, Chief of Natural Resources; Judi Tamasi, Project Analyst; and Angie McWhirter, Board Secretary.

III. Appointment of public member to the Governing Board.

On motion of the Chair, duly seconded, Michael Hughes was unanimously appointed.

IV. Administration of oath of office to new member. (Continued)

V. Election of Officers.

On motion of the Chair, duly seconded, John Beauman was unanimously elected to serve as the Chair.

Chairman Beauman propounded.

On motion of Jack Tanaka, duly seconded, Gary Watts was unanimously elected the Vice-Chair.

VI. Appointment of Advisory Committee members.

The following individuals were offered for appointment to the Advisory Committee:

Shelley Andros, Bill Herrick, Helen Rahder, Stephen Davis, Sona Christine McCoy, Robert Turner, Lydia Yoshida, Alissa Ing, Tom Greene, Anne Coté, Bob Kanne, William Madden, Claire Schlotterbeck, Jeff Yann, and Wilbur Smith.

On the motion of Mr. Simmons, duly seconded, the appointments were unanimously accepted.

VII. Comments by members of the public on items not on the Agenda and public testimony on all agenda items.

No comments were made.

VIII. Governing Board and Staff Response to Public Comments.

No comments were made.

IX. Special recognition in memory of Steve Feld, former Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority Governing Board Member, for extraordinary accomplishments.

Comments were made by Mr. Henderson and Mr. Simmons.

(Mr. Parker arrived at 8:00 p.m.)

X. Special Recognition of former Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority Advisory Committee Members Charles Hanson, Bill Kowalik and Richard Zinsley for extraordinary accomplishments.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by the Executive Officer, Mr. Henderson, and Mr. Klein.

XI. Consent Calendar.

- (a) Approval of minutes from the meeting of March 1, 2006.
- (b) Review and approval of Treasurer's report for the third quarter of Fiscal Year 2005-2006 submitted by Kathryn Marshall, Treasurer, City of Whittier.
- (c) Review and approval of Treasurer's report for the fourth quarter of Fiscal Year 2005-2006 submitted by Kathryn Marshall, Treasurer, City of Whittier.
- (d) Consideration of resolution adopting the budget for Fiscal Year 2006-2007.

On the motion of Mr. Parker, duly seconded, the Consent Calendar was unanimously approved as presented.

XII. Report from a representative of the Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority Advisory Committee regarding the Advisory Committee meeting held on August 30, 2006.

Bob Kanne, Advisory Committee Chairman, presented the report.

XIII. Presentation of short video regarding the recently opened Harbor Boulevard Underpass.

A report was presented by Andrea Gullo.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by Ms. Gullo and Mr. Henderson.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by Ms. Gullo.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Tanaka.

Comments were made by Ms. Gullo and Mr. Watts.

XIV. Update regarding activities of Puente Hills Landfill Native Habitat Preservation Authority.

A report was presented by Ms. Gullo.

The following Agenda Item was revisited:

IV. Appointment of Advisory Committee members.

On motion of Mr. Parker, duly seconded, Bob Kanne and William Madden were reappointed to the Advisory Committee.

XV. Consideration of resolution supporting Proposition 84, the Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2005.

Comments were made by the Executive Officer.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Henderson.

Comments were made by the Executive Officer, Mr. Parker, the Chair, and Mr. Watts.

On motion of Mr. Henderson, duly seconded, Resolution No. 06-06, was adopted with Mr. Watts and Mr. Simmons abstaining.

[The fully text of this resolution is attached]

XVI. Consideration of resolution opposing Proposition 90.

Comments were made by Mr. Henderson and the Chair.

On motion of Mr. Henderson, duly seconded, Resolution No. 06-07 was adopted with Mr. Watts abstaining.

[The fully text of this resolution is attached]

XVII. Consideration of resolution supporting Orange County's Measure M.

Comments were made by Mr. Henderson and Mr. Parker.

On motion of Mr. Henderson, duly seconded, Resolution No. 06-08 was adopted with Mr. Simmons and Mr. Watts abstaining.

[The fully text of this resolution is attached]

XVIII. Discussion and possible action regarding City of Diamond Bar proposed sphere of influence amendment to include the Aera property, west of State Route 57, Los Angeles County.

Report was given by the Executive Officer.

Comments were made by Ms. Tamasi.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Parker.

Comments were made by Ms. Tamasi, Mr. Henderson, and Mr. Tanaka.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Parker.

Comments were made by Mr. Henderson.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Parker.

Comments were made by Mr. Tanaka, Mr. Parker, the Chair, and Mr. Henderson.

XIX. Discussion and possible action regarding City of Diamond Bar proposed acquisition of Rowland Heights residential development site (known as Tentative Tract Map No. 49411), north of Aera property, east of Hastings Street, west of State Route 57, Los Angeles County.

Comments were made by the Executive Officer, Mr. Henderson, and Mr. Tanaka.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Henderson.

Comments were made by the Executive Officer, Mr. Parker, and Mr. Tanaka.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by Mr. Tanaka and Mr. Simmons.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by Mr. Parker and the Executive Officer.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by Mr. Tanaka, the Executive Officer, and Mr. Parker.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Henderson.

Comments were made by the Executive Officer.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Parker.

Comments were made by the Executive Officer, the Chair, Mr. Henderson, Mr. Tanaka, and Mr. Simmons.

On motion of Mr. Henderson, duly seconded, the Authority unanimously concurred to have staff contact Diamond Bar staff for further information regarding their intent for the property due to the Board's interest because of the sensitive ecological environmental issues involved with the property.

XX. Consideration of resolution authorizing a comment letter to City of Diamond Bar on Mitigated Negative Declaration No. 2006-03 for Vesting Tentative Tract Map No. 54081.

Comments were made by Mr. Henderson and Ms. Tamasi.

On motion of Mr. Henderson, duly seconded, Resolution No. 06-09 was unanimously adopted.

[The fully text of this resolution is attached]

XXI. Discussion and possible action regarding activities of the Tres Hermanos Conservation Authority.

Comments were made by the Chief Deputy Executive Officer, Mr. Henderson, and Mr. Tanaka.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Henderson.

Comments were made by the Chief Deputy Executive Officer.

On the motion of Mr. Henderson, duly seconded, the Authority unanimously directed staff to prepare a letter addressed to the Tres Hermanos Conservation

Authority to be signed by the Chair indicating the Authority's ongoing interest in the matter and desire to be involved in providing environmental comments.

XXII. Statements, responses, questions or directions to staff pursuant to Section 54954.2(a) of the Government Code that provides as follows:

No action or discussion shall be undertaken on any item not appearing on the posted agenda, except that members of a legislative body or its staff may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed by persons exercising their public testimony rights under Section 54954.3. In addition, on their own initiative or in response to questions posed by the public, a member of a legislative body or its staff may ask a question for clarification, make a brief announcement, or make a brief report on his or her own activities. Furthermore, a member of a legislative body, or the body itself, subject to rules or procedures of the legislative body, may provide a reference to staff or other resources for factual information, request staff to report back to the body at a subsequent meeting concerning any matter, or take action to direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Henderson.

Comments were made by the Executive Officer, the Chair, Mr. Parker, the Chief Deputy Executive Officer, and Mr. Tanaka.

XXIII. Announcement of next meeting and adjournment.

With no further business before the Board, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:34 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Approved:

Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, ASLA (Hon.)
Executive Officer

John Beauman
Chairperson

